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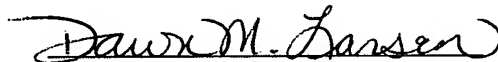
In re\ Application of: E. Skott Greenhalgh

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